

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Clover State: SC
 ZIP: _____ Country: USA
 Latitude: _____ Longitude: _____
 (Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: Aug 15 2020 Local Time: 3:30
 mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: _____

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N1468B
 Manufacturer: Best Aircraft
 Model: Super STOL
 Serial Number: 34335-12-13
 Year of Manufacture: 2014

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☐ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: _____

☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified
☐ Commercial Space Flight
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: _____ lbs
 Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: _____ lbs

Number of Seats: 2 Flight Crew Seats: _____
 Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: _____

Number of Engines: _____

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ Airplane
- ☐ Balloon
- ☐ Blimp/Dirigible
- ☐ Glider
- ☐ Gyroplane
- ☐ Helicopter
- ☐ Powered Lift
- ☐ Rocket
- ☐ Ultralight
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

- | Standard | Special |
|------------------------------------|---|
| ☐ Normal | ☐ Restricted |
| ☐ Aerobatic | ☐ Limited |
| ☐ Balloon | ☐ Provisional |
| ☐ Commuter | ☐ Special Flight |
| ☐ Transport | ☒ Experimental |
| ☐ Utility | ☐ Special Light-Sport |
| | ☐ Experimental Light-Sport |
- ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Retractable
- ☐ Tricycle ☒ Tailwheel
- ☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
- ☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
- ☐ Float ☐ Ski
- ☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
- ☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
- ☐ None ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☒ Reciprocating | ☐ Liquid Rocket |
| ☐ Turbo Shaft | ☐ Solid Rocket |
| ☐ Turbo Prop | ☐ Hybrid Rocket |
| ☐ Turbo Jet | ☐ None |
| ☐ Turbo Fan | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Electric | |

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☒ Carburetor ☐ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Inspection (hours)	Time Since: Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	<u>Rotax</u>	<u>912</u>	<u>6777335</u>	<u>12-13</u>	<u>100</u>	<u>250</u>		
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ AAIP ☒ Conditional Inspection
- ☐ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 2/20/2020
 mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: _____ hrs
 hours measured at (Select one)
☐ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☐ Annual
- ☒ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
- ☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
- ☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐ None
- ☒ Specify: Hand Held

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☐ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Kiev
 Model: 3 Blade

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:
 ELT Manufacturer: _____
 Model or Part No.: _____
 TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ OC91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ OC126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Did ELT Activate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If activated:
 Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

If not activated:
 Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage
☐ Fire Damage
☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
☒ Unknown

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☐ Controllable Pitch
- ☒ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____
 Model: _____

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☒ ADS-B
- ☐ Airframe Parachute
- ☒ Angle of Attack Indicator
- ☐ Autopilot
- ☐ Data Recorder
- ☒ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
- ☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
- ☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
- ☐ Handheld GPS
- ☐ Heads Up Display
- ☒ Onboard Weather
- ☐ Satellite Tracking Device
- ☐ Stall Warning System
- ☐ Video Recording Device
- ☐ Other, Specify: _____

Registered Aircraft Owner

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

☐ *Same As Registered Owner*☐ Same Address as Registered Owner

City: _____

State: NC ZIP: 28120

Country: USA

(Check all that apply)

- ## Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial

- Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135**
(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

(Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☐ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry

☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Yes ☐ No**AIRPORT INFORMATION** (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true

Airport Elevation: _____ ft. msl

Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft

- Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- | | | |
|--|---|---|
| ☐ Dry | ☐ Snow-Compacted | ☐ Water-Calm |
| ☐ Holes | ☐ Snow-Crusted | ☐ Water-Choppy |
| ☐ Ice Covered | ☐ Snow-Dry | ☐ Water-Glassy |
| ☐ Rough | ☐ Snow-Wet | ☐ Wet |
| ☐ Rubber Deposits | ☐ Soft | |
| ☐ Slush-Covered | ☐ Vegetation | ☒ Unknown |

- ☐ Taxi
- ☐ Takeoff
- ☒ Initial Climb

- ☒ VFR Departure
☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance

- On Instrument Approach
- Landing

- ☐ Downwind
- ☐ Base
- ☐ Final
- ☐ Crosswind

- ☐ Low Approach
- ☐ Go Around
- ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
- ☐ Unknown

☐ None

- | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ ADF/NDB | ☐ PAR | ☐ MLS | ☐ Practice |
| ☐ SDF | ☐ Sidestep | ☐ LDA | ☐ GPS |
| ☐ VOR/TVOR | ☐ ILS | ☐ ASR | |
| ☐ VOR/DME | ☐ Localizer Only | ☐ Visual | |
| ☐ TACAN | ☐ LOC-back course | ☐ Contact | |
| | ☐ RNAV | ☐ Circling | |
| | | | ☐ Unknown |

☐ None

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Traffic Pattern | ☐ Stop and Go |
| ☐ Straight-In | ☐ Touch and Go |
| ☐ Valley/Terrain Following | ☐ Simulated Forced Landing |
| ☐ Go Around | ☐ Forced Landing |
| ☐ Full Stop | ☐ Precautionary Landing |
| | ☐ Unknown |

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☒ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Matthew McSwain

Middle Initial: A

Last Name: McSwain

City of Residence: [REDACTED]

State: NC

ZIP: 28120

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 45 Date of Birth: [REDACTED] mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☒ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

☒ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☒ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military
☒ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☒ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☒ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☒ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Special Issuance**

Date of Last Flight Review
or Equivalent, Including
FAR 121/135 Checks: 7 12 2019
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft:

Make: Cessna

Model: 150

**Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)**

☐ None
☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

**Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)**

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

**Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)**

☐ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

**Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)**

☐ None
☐ Airplane Single-Engine
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Powered Lift

☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Helicopter
☐ Glider
☐ Sport

Student Endorsements (Include dates)**Type Ratings**

Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	1402	350								
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Substantial
☒ Destroyed
☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None
☐ In-Flight
☐ On-Ground
☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None
☐ In-Flight
☐ On-Ground
☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary)

Complete Destroyed

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink)

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

landed from the north to the south waited on another aircraft to land as soon as he started to the left of me i took action to the north when the plane got into ground effect it was like i pulled out into traffic in the gear (nudge loss of power) at that point "at no return" i chose to go to the left a little to clear the shorter trees on the left as soon as i did the prop exploded and i became a lawn dart into the trees.

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point

Airport ID: Clower Base
City: Clower
State: SC
Country: USA

Time of Departure

Time: 5:30
Time Zone: _____

Destination

Airport ID: KAKH
City: Castroville
State: NC
Country: USA

Type Flight Plan Filed

☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFR
Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☒ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)

☐ Class A ☐ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☒ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA
☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence:

_____ ft msl

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information

(Check all that apply)

☐ National Weather Service ☐ Company
☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military
☐ TV/Radio ☐ Internet
☐ Automated Report ☐ None
☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☒ Unknown
☐ On-Board Weather

Weather Observation Facility

Facility ID: _____
Observation Time: _____
Time Zone: _____
Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm
Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions

☐ VMC
☐ IMC
☐ Unknown

Light Condition

☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown
☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken
☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast
☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown
☐ Scattered

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

_____ ft agl

Ceiling

☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured
☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite
☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown

Ceiling Height

_____ ft agl

Temperature: _____ (C) or _____ (F)

Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F)

Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg
or _____ MB

Wind Direction

☒ Variable

-or-
Direction: _____ degrees true

Wind Speed

☐ Calm
☒ Light and Variable

-or-
Speed: _____ kts

Wind Gusts

☐ Not Gusting

-or-
Speed: _____ kts

Visibility

_____ miles
RVR: _____ feet
RVV: _____ miles

Density Altitude: _____ ft

Intensity of Precipitation

☐ Light
☐ Moderate
☐ Heavy
☐ N/A
☐ Unknown

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain
☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower
☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower
☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle
☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Fog
☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog
☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze
☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog
☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke
☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast

Amount ☒ None ☐ N/A
☐ Trace ☐ Rime
☐ Light ☐ Clear
☐ Moderate ☐ Mixed
☐ Severe ☐ Unknown
☐ Unknown

Icing Actual

Amount ☒ None ☐ N/A
☐ Trace ☐ Rime
☐ Light ☐ Clear
☐ Moderate ☐ Mixed
☐ Severe ☐ Unknown
☐ Unknown

Turbulence

Type (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Light
☐ Clear Air ☐ Moderate
☐ Terrain-Induced ☐ Severe
☐ Convective Turbulence ☐ Extreme

NOTAMs (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

not landed then

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

plug wire came off #1 cylinder

Total Time/Cycles
On Part

Hours

Cycles

Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled

25 Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATIONFuel on Board at Last Takeoff
(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

15 Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 80/87☒ 100 Low Lead☐ 100/130☐ 115/145☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Jet B☐ JP8☐ Automotive☐ Other, specify _____

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

kicked the r side door off and climbed out

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for other aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft

☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Country: _____

ZIP: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Country: _____

ZIP: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report

2 / Oct / 2020
mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator

Signature: [Redacted]

-- or --

☐ Check here to electronically sign this documentAlfred H. Swan

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

-- or --

☐ Check here to electronically sign this document**FOR NTSB USE ONLY**

NTSB Accident/Incident No.

ERA20LA286

Reviewed by NTSB Regional Office

ERA

Name of Investigator

R Hicks

Date Report Received

9/09/2020